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Hello,

My name is Marshall Lewis and I am an avid computer tech and end-user. I think the Settlement is a very bad idea. Microsoft has their way with the market, the product, (in many cases) the competitors product, and very much so the end-users whole grasp on the way computing should be. How about if Ford bought out every other car manufacturer, made it illegal to drive one without paying out a fortune per year in extras. Then when Toyota moves in to try and relieve some of the end-users who already know what a crock the Ford operation is and how another manufacturer may very well be a cheaper and most likely more desireable product. But when Toyota does this they are shut down by the governments lack of authority towards a monopoly. They keep showing how they have exposed Microsoft as a monopoly but what has been changed that has actually made an impact on their market share.

Anyway back to work and I hope my opinion counts.

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